

AMENDMENT

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Claim 1 (currently amended): A packaging bag comprising opposed first and second film plies joined at a closed end of the bag and sealed along lateral edges of the bag, said plies defining an open mouth end having a first edge of the first ply and a second edge of the second ply which projects beyond the first edge of the first ply and comprises a folded over film portion to exhibit double thickness at the exposed end of the second ply, wherein the margin of the folded over portion of the second ply is disposed adjacent to the edge of the first ply so that there is essentially a zero space between the first edge of the first ply and the second edge of the second ply, so as to provide a substantially constant thickness of the bag across the mouth and projecting portion, wherein the length of the folded over film portion is less than 5% of the total length of the bag.

Claim 2 (canceled)

Claim 3 (original): The packaging bag according to claim 1, wherein the length of the folded over film portion is less than 3% of the total length of the bag.

Claim 4 (original): The packaging bag according to claim 1, wherein the length of the folded over film portion is less than 1 cm.